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SUBJ: 600 AFRICAN WORKERS FIRED FOLLOWING STRIKE AT
MOBENI NEAR DURBAN

REF: DURBAN 363 (NOTAL)

1. ADAMANT IN THEIR DEMAND THAT THE COMPANY WHITE PERSONNEL
OFFICER BE FIRED, UNION LEADERS OF 600 AFRICAN WORKERS DIS-
MISSED LAST WEEK BY NATAL COTTON & WOOLLEN MILLS HAVE CABLED
GENEVA-BASED INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE, GARMENT AND LEATHER
WORKERS' FEDERATION ASKING FOR HELP IN SETTLING LABOR DISPUTE
AT MOBENI.

2. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS TEXT OF TELEGRAM IS AS FOLLOWS:
"ALL 600 WORKERS FIRED AT NATAL COTTON & WOOLLEN MILLS.
MANAGEMENT REFUSING NEGOTIATIONS. REQUIRE ASSISTANCE TO
RESOLVE DISPUTE."

3. SINCE MASS DISMISSAL OF AFRICAN LABOR FORCE A NUMBER OF
WORKERS, IN ATTEMPT TO RETURN TO WORK, FOUND MILL GATES
LOCKED AND MANNED BY POLICE AND FACTORY PREMISES PATROLLED
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